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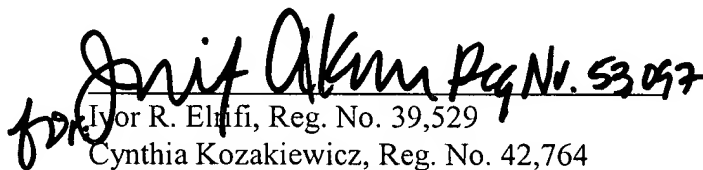
REMARKS

Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 21-23, 26, and 28-38 are under consideration. Claims 15-19 are canceled herein, without prejudice or disclaimer, as directed to non-elected inventions. In addition, claim 25 is cancelled herein, and claims 24 and 27 were previously cancelled. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the cancelled subject matter, as well as the originally presented claims, in continuing applications. Claims 26, 28, 33 and 38 are amended herein. Support for the amendments to claims 28, 33 and 38 is found in the specification at least at page 8, lines 3-6, and support for the amendment to claim 26 is found at least at page 5, line 36 through page 6, line 4. Accordingly, no new matter is added.

This Supplemental Amendment is being submitted in response to the Notice of Noncompliant Amendment mailed January 20, 2004, and in further response to the Advisory Action mailed November 13, 2003 in the above-identified application. Applicants contend that this Supplemental Amendment complies with the requirements under 37 C.F.R. §1.121. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner replace the listing of claims presented in the Amendment Response to the November 13, 2003 Advisory Action, timely filed on November 19, 2003, with the listing of claims presented herein.

Applicants believe that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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